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WEDNESDAY, APRIL SIXTH IS LIBERTY DAY

FIREMEN AND CITY COUNCIL

Volunteer Fire Department Entertains the Council at a Fish Dinner—Service Flag—Twenty-five Dollars and Cigars Presented to Fire Department—Council Holds Public Hearing on Cedar Street Petition.

The Volunteer Fire Department of Wauseon entertained the Council of Wauseon at a real fish bake last Monday evening, and from all reports every one of the 32 members of the department had a royal good time. If there is any body of men in this village that deserves a royal good time it is the Wauseon Fire Department, so we are all glad that it happened.

It was not without trials and tribulations that the fish for the feast were secured, but Chief "Cy" Overmyer was determined that there should be fish, and so he drove to Toledo and waited for the fishing boats to come in. The first one that struck the pier with fish was the chief's victim; he secured the pickered, and the boys say they were dropping when they reached Wauseon. The fish were baked by Gersuch & Clark and served at Merrin's restaurant on Commercial street. Aside from the fish, which furnished an abundance of pleasure to the feasters, there were some very appropriate marks of appreciation for the firemen to enjoy.

Mayor Bulger presented a very fitting man or presented to the department a beautiful satin service flag, the gift of the Spencer-Edgar-Vollmer company. Wayne B. Harris responded in behalf of the fire department.

The flag contains four blue stars on its white field, one for each of the following members who are now in the service of the country: Dr. C. F. Hartman, Otto Foulkner, Robt J. Blasonette, and Ed. Cook.

Other marks of appreciation received are \$25 from the firm of Eager, Standish & Hatt, a box of cigars from Glenn V. Soule, and another box of the same luxury from H. F. Dimke.

Monday evening was the time for the regular monthly meeting of the fire department and at the business meeting that followed the banquet two new members, Clarence Blasonette and Linley Hann, were voted in.

Citizens of Wauseon have every reason to be grateful for the well-equipped, well organized and efficient fire department, which is one of the institutions of which we may be proud.

Following the banquet the council met in regular meeting in the council chamber. The main feature of the meeting was the presentation of a controversy, which has been laying dormant for some time but was revived by a petition to vacate certain lands on the west side of the street and narrow the street to 40 feet. This would straighten the street and seemed to be satisfactory to the greater number of property owners on the street, but some of the objectors. An ordinance to vacate in compliance with this petition came to its third and final reading Monday night and the mayor announced a hearing before action was taken by the council. Mr. F. S. Ham spoke in behalf of those who favored the passage of the ordinance, laying before the council the benefits which would follow such action, while Mr. H. A. Lee spoke for himself and others who objected to the passage of the ordinance; the argument waxed warm and there was injected some rather derogatory personalities.

The mayor finally put the burden of responsibility on Mr. Lee by asking him to present in writing a statement as to how the council can straighten Cedar street by widening the street to 60 feet along the entire length of the street, according to the plan suggested by Mr. Lee; this statement to be presented to the council at the next regular meeting, April 15.

The mayor pointed out that in order to follow the plan suggested by Mr. Lee considerable land would have to be purchased from the property owners on the west side of the street and that the money for such purchase cannot be taken out of the village treasury, but must come from property owners on the street who will be benefited by such action so that the responsibility assumed by Mr. Lee will involve the purchase of such land and its donation to the village. The council then voted to defer final action on the ordinance until the next regular meeting, the council in the meantime to visit Cedar street by daylight and inspect for themselves the situation.

A resolution was adopted fixing the salaries of employees in the various departments of the village government; among them, the superintendent of the water works, whose salary was fixed at not more than \$150 per month water works engineers at \$85 per month; janitor for upstairs rooms of the fire department at \$18 per year; engine room janitor, \$35 per year; secretary of fire department, \$15 per year, and treasurer, \$12 per year.

The claim ordinance including salaries for councilmen and other village officers was read and passed and the council adjourned.

A SOLDIER AND HIS BRIDE
Ralph Campbell of the 148th Ambulance Co., Camp Sheridan, Ala., perpetrated a real surprise on his friends and even relatives last week. Securing a nine days' leave, he arrived in Wauseon last Wednesday night. Thursday, he and Miss Elsie Dittmer of Napoleon drove to Jackson, Mich., and while there they were united in marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell returned from Jackson Friday and on Wednesday they left for Montgomery, Ala. To any the least, it was a good nine days' campaign for Ralph, and we extend to him and his bride our best wishes and heartiest congratulations.

TO THE PUBLIC

Through the courtesy of the Press, we wish to thank the residents of the village for their cooperation in keeping the sidewalks passable during the past winter. We, of course, found a few slackers, whom we hope to convert.

We wish to call attention to other matters of perhaps equal importance. There is an ordinance regarding spitting on sidewalks and floors of public buildings. We concede the wisdom of such an ordinance, and it will be our endeavor to have it enforced. In doing this, we anticipate very little trouble, once the people realize the importance of it. We all know how disgusting it is, especially for ladies, to be compelled to pass over sidewalks that have been plastered with tobacco juice from the mouths of "trail birds" and "store front decorators." If it becomes necessary we will not hesitate to make an example of some one.

We also suggest that all operators of vehicles, motor cars, especially, post themselves thoroughly, both as to state laws and village ordinances. Many things happen daily on our streets in violation of both, and it will be our earnest endeavor, during the coming summer, to check such law-breaking. We request that due regard be given to the guide posts on our main street, placed there for the regulation of traffic, and maintained for that purpose at considerable expense. The laws regarding fast and reckless driving, proper lights, unnecessary noises, we shall endeavor to enforce.

We also recommend that all operators of motor vehicles provide themselves at once with license tags for the current year, instead of trying to get by with last year's tag. In order that all may have a chance to post themselves on the laws, and to make up their minds whether or not they want to comply with the same, we will wait until May 1 before starting any strenuous campaign. After that date, however, we can only say "BE CAREFUL!"

CHAS. M. BULGER, Mayor.
Robt. Sweeney, Marshal.

FULTON'S SPIRIT

Corporal James Galbraith Writes From Camp Merritt, New Jersey—Anxious to Get Across—Determined to Carry the Stars and Stripes Through Berlin, Whether He Learns French or Not.

Camp Merritt, N. J. 3-26-1918.
Dear Cousin:
I will write you a few lines from my new camp. I got here yesterday from Camp Grant. We left Chicago last Saturday morning and sure had a fine trip. We rode in Pullman cars and did not mind the trip at all. I hope the ride across the Atlantic will be as good. We sure saw some country, but of all the states we went through, Ohio looked the best to me. We went through the mountains in Pennsylvania, and then we were in New York, D. C. and Philadelphia, and we were near enough to New York harbor to see the Statue of Liberty.

This is the finest camp I have ever been in. The weather is fine down here and it is not muddy here like it was at Camp Grant. The best thing about this camp is that there is not much to do around here like there was in the other camps. All we have to do is to keep cleaned up and wait until they get ready to send us across. We do not know how long we will be here, nor do we know when we are going to leave. I am glad that we are not sent when we are going, for it is for our own good that they do not tell us. We are all anxious to get across, for we have heard so much about the "other side" that we want to see a little for ourselves. We probably will be just as anxious to get back. If we are used as well over there as they use us here we will sure get along all right.

I heard a while ago that Fred was down here, but from what I hear, he has gone. I have not heard from him since I left Camp Sheridan. If you know where he is, write and send me his address. I guess Carl has gone to sea, for the last time I heard from him he said he was going to leave in February.

I suppose all of you people are having good times, but you can tell the world that we have our fun too. But I prefer being around Wauseon to being in the Army. But some of us Fulton county boys have got to help to lick the Germans, and I am glad that I am one of them. I suppose if we are in France two or three years we will be regular Frenchmen. I know a little French; it seems to be easy to learn. We do not care so much about learning French, but we do want to carry the Stars and Stripes through Berlin, and we are going to do it before we come back; that is, if we get across the Atlantic all right.

We do not feel lonesome, but we would feel better if we could get to some place where there is somebody besides soldiers. Well, I guess I had better stop writing and wash up. I do not think we will be here long enough to write much from here, but will write when we get to France. Believe me, a letter looks good to us fellows, when we do not get anything but newspaper news. I guess I will have to close.

Your cousin,
CORPORAL JAS. GALBRAITH,
1st Co. Camp Grant Detachment
Over Sea Casual. Camp Merritt,
New Jersey.

This is my address when we go abroad:
CORPORAL JAMES GALBRAITH
19th Engineers
A. E. F. via New York

If a Liberty bond is not a good security to invest in, then there are no good securities.

TAX RETURNS

Personal Tax Return Blanks Mailed by County Auditor This Week—Returns Must Be Filed On or Before May First—Failure Results in Forfeiture of Exemption.

The blanks for making personal tax returns have been mailed this week by the county auditor to the personal property owners. As many move from one location to another, it is impossible to reach everyone by mail. The failure to receive a blank does not excuse a person from listing his property, as the new law specifies that he must secure one from the auditor, or the local assessor.

The listing and valuation of property for taxation must be at its true value and shall be made as of the second Monday in April, and must be filed with the county auditor on or before the first day of May, 1918. If would be much better to make out the return now, than to wait until the last day. These returns can be acknowledged before the local assessor, township clerk, Justice of the peace, or notary public.

All parties who fail to list before the first day of May, will forfeit their \$100 exemption. After the returns are filed the local assessor checks up the list and all incorrect returns are corrected by him.

Parties refusing to make a return will be assessed a 50 per cent penalty, and those making a false return are liable to prosecution for perjury.

FULTON GRANGE

Regular meeting was held Thursday evening, March 28. The Grange ordered a car of threshing coal.

Program for April Eleventh

Song by Grange Roll Call
What Have You Learned From Your Farm Paper the Past Month?
"Birds Beneficial to Farmers"..... Earl Morr
"Birds Detrimental to Farmers"..... Walter Samms
Discussion—"Is Success on the Farm Due to Location, the Farm, or the Farmer?"..... George Schamus
Recitation..... Kenneth Demaline
"The Best Floor Covering for the Farm House Dining Room"..... Jessie George
Grange News..... Bernice Ross
Song..... By Grange
Every member is requested to be present and to bring an application with you.

—Lecturer.
A Liberty bond will keep your heart warm.

Old Glory Floats Over Our Boys in France—Let It Float Over Their Homes Here—Buy Liberty Bonds To Keep Old Glory Floating Over There and Over Here

Saturday, April 6th, is the first anniversary of the declaration of war by the United States against Germany. Many things have happened in this country since April 6th, 1917. The nation has placed an army on European soil and that army is today in active co-operation with the armies of our allies. Another magnificent army of 500,000 has been recruited from the citizenry of the country, have been trained and equipped and are today ready to be placed on the battle fields of Europe to vanquish entirely the most atrocious and inhuman military autocracy the world has ever known.

Miracles of production have been wrought along more lines than we have space to enumerate and it would take pages to tell of the obstacles that have been overcome in order that all this might be accomplished. The nation has wrought—the whole people—prejudices have been forgotten, and seeming injustices have been passed over in order that the work might go forward.

This American people has responded to the first and second Liberty Loan liberally, and they are going to respond to the Third Liberty Loan just as liberally, because they know that it takes their money to place American troops and American guns and all the rest of the paraphernalia of war in the way of the unspeakable Hun. All this and more for the cause of Human Liberty and Right—not only in America, but in all the world. Fling out Old Glory to the breeze on Liberty Day. It's our flag and it is the symbol of the principles in which we believe as true and just and right. And let us rally round that flag as we have and as by the grace of God we will, with our services, our treasures and our lives!

DEMOCRACY IN THE CRUCIBLE

Facing the Facts, Acknowledging the Mistakes and Meeting the Supreme Test—Three Great Duties in Which We Must Not Fail

By Hapsburg Liebe of The Vigilante

Democracy and Liberty are not always synonymous, perhaps, but they mean the same to us now, certainly. A military autocracy, after more than forty years of thorough and cunning preparation, a great part of it by means of weapons of our own invention, has thrust our Democracy and our Liberty into the crucible to test it out, to see whether it would hold good. They did not believe it would.

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WOMAN'S CLUB

Wauseon Woman's Club Elects Officers and Votes to Devote Time and Work to Red Cross Work During the Club Year, 1918-19.

At their regular meeting held at the home of Mrs. Frank E. Kenyon on Tuesday afternoon, the Wauseon Woman's club voted unanimously to adopt the following resolutions presented by the executive committee of the club:

RESOLVED, That as the club we seek to make our literary efforts as light as possible, even calling upon some of our patriotic orators of the day, if need be, for appropriate addresses. That we may affiliate more closely and assist more definitely and help fully in our country's great need, be it

RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed by the chair to co-operate with the chairman of the local Red Cross movement in planning some definite Red Cross work for the members of the Woman's club.

MRS. MADDOX, Ex. Committee. MRS. REIGHARD, MISS HOWARD

This will effect the club program for the year of 1918-1919. The following officers were elected to serve for the next club year, which opens next September:

President.....Mrs. Lillian Wolf
Vice President.....Mrs. Eva Strick
Recording Secretary.....Mrs. Grace Cole
Cor. Secretary.....Mrs. Frances Bayes
Treasurer.....Mrs. Ida Reynolds

CAPTURED LARGE OWL

Mr. Orin Cameron captured a large horned owl on his farm last week. The big bird was suffering a massed attack from a flock of crows when discovered by Mr. Cameron, who, with a small target rifle, succeeded in dispatching Mr. Owl from the tree in which he was perched and dispersing the attacking force of crows.

The owl came out of the skirmish with a broken wing and Mr. Cameron measured his wing spread as four feet from tip to tip. The owl will probably furnish a subject for a taxidermist.

Better to have Liberty bonds in your house than the Kaiser's troops.

JOHN H. WARING

John H. Waring of Indianapolis, brother of William H. Waring of this city, died at his home in Indianapolis on Saturday, March 9, after an illness of four months. Mr. and Mrs. William Waring attended the funeral which was held Tuesday, March 12, leaving Wauseon on Monday the 11th, and returning Thursday, the 21st.

The deceased was the only brother of William Waring, who is now the sole surviving member of his family. The following clipping is taken from the "Indianapolis News":

John H. Waring, 907 East Sixteenth street, died Saturday after an illness of four months. He was born in Port au Prince, Haiti, and came to this country about 32 years ago. After working as a barber in several of the larger cities of the country he settled here and for more than a score of years operated a barber shop at 905 East Sixteenth street. Mr. Waring is survived by the widow and one brother, William H. Waring of Wauseon, Ohio. He was a member of the Sisters of Charity, of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, and of the Knights of Pythias, and a member of St. Philip's Episcopal church. The funeral service will be held at the church Tuesday at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The burial will be at Crown Hill cemetery.

MAZOLF-MORNINGSTAR

At the home of, and by the Rev. E. D. Schadt, Miss Lena Mazolf of Fayette and Walter E. Morningstar of Wauseon were united in marriage Tuesday forenoon, April 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Morningstar will take charge of a farm in Fulton county and help to increase the production of food stuffs so much needed in the present world crisis.

BENEFIT DANCE

There will be a dance held at City hall tonight, Friday. Music starts at 8:30. Prices as usual; proceeds for the benefit of Fulton County Chapter American Red Cross. Cordial welcome to all.

UNIFORM AND MEN

The United States Military Uniform a Badge of Honor and Entitled to Respect of All American Citizens—Men of Wauseon in Uniform On Furlough and Leave.

There is something that thrills the heart of every patriotic citizen at sight of the United States military uniform on our streets, and our hearts go out to the men who are wearing it, whoever they may be. The uniform is the badge of our government, and as such is entitled to highest respect of every American citizen. It's the badge of a nation that time and time again has stood for the protection of the weak and oppressed, against injustice and cruelty, and for the liberation of enslaved humanity.

Today it's the badge of a nation whose men are giving themselves, whose women are devoting their time and sacrificing their dearest and best, while its citizens as a whole are pouring out their wealth and their energies to place on the battle fields of Europe armies and munitions to aid the sore-pressed nations of that continent to stem the tide of demoralizing slaughter. Let us be inspired by an autocracy gone mad with the lust for conquest and power. Every man who wears the uniform of our nation is sworn to uphold the rights of humanity, protect those who are unjustly oppressed, and uphold the principles of justice, liberty, and right.

The self-styled American citizen who is not in sympathy with America's position in this war and who does not recognize in the uniform a badge of the highest honor, is an anomaly and justifies the doubt of this fellow citizen as to his true loyalty and patriotism. These are times when American men, and women as well, are called upon to manifest their loyalty, not only by their words, but as well by their deeds.

Fathers, mothers, sisters, wives and sweethearts of the men who are wearing the uniform of our nation (Continued on page 10)

DRAFT NEWS

The Provost Marshal General has ordered that all Class One men who are actively, completely and assiduously engaged in the planting or cultivation of a crop should be deferred until the end of the new quota. The instructions to the Local Board are very explicit, and provide that the men who are not the men who will be engaged in such work are to be protected. The Local Board is permitted to satisfy itself by requiring affidavits, conducted hearings and calling witnesses as to the merit of any such claims for extension of time.

The Local Board has prepared a statement containing questions to be answered by men in Class One, who are engaged in agriculture, and who are entitled to consideration under the above ruling of the Provost Marshal General. Any registrant so engaged and who is in Class One can obtain the blank referred to by calling at the court house at Wauseon, or by writing for them. These blanks are free.

SPRING IS HERE!!
Yep, Spring is sure here! A. B. is out in a straw hat, Reese McLaren is selling fish from his push-cart, the members of the Smokery club are all busy making garden, and the annual agitation in regard to straightening Cedar street is in full bloom. All this does not include the cases of "spring fever" which herald an epidemic of that disease, the autos that are out after a winter's hibernation, and the brilliancy of the bloom on her new spring hat.

To add to the springiness of the occasion, the habitual politician is busy hunting out the first new spring candidates for the primaries next August. Watch your step; spring is here!

FIRE LOSS

The many Fulton county friends of Mr. and Mrs. James Maloney, who now live at Adrian, will regret to learn of a recent misfortune which has befallen them, as indicated in the following clipping from the Adrian Daily Telegram:

The fire department was called to the home of James Maloney, 580 South Winter street, shortly after 11 o'clock this morning to extinguish a roof blaze. The fire is thought to have been started by a spark from a D. T. & I. engine. With the aid of chemical the firemen were able to extinguish the fire in a short time. The damage to the roof and attic is estimated between \$300 and \$400.

NOTICE M. W. of A.
All members are requested to be present Tuesday evening, April 9, to dedicate our service flag.
BY ORDER OF COUNCIL
E. W. Bourquin, Clerk.

CARRY ON THE GOOD WORK

Chairman of Third Liberty Loan Campaign in Wauseon Sounds Call for Action On Part of Patriotic Citizens—Campaign to Open Monday.

To the People of Wauseon:
Our soldier boys are today facing the enemy under conditions the like of which were never before known. They have bravely assumed the responsibility of preserving and perpetuating the rights of humanity for, let us hope, all time to come.

We who remain securely at home are also facing conditions which involve responsibilities, and they are of even greater import than those assumed by our soldiers, for upon the manner in which we bear our responsibilities will depend the success of the cause for which they are fighting. Unless we back up our army to the very limit of our energy and resources, it will fight the battle for humanity in vain.

Next Monday morning will see the beginning of the sale of bonds of the THIRD LIBERTY LOAN, and we will soon know how well the citizens are bearing their responsibility. The Loan committee is going to show next week that there is not a slacker in this town.

For this campaign the town has been divided into zones and a sales committee assigned to each zone. The card system will be used, which means that the name of every person in Wauseon will be upon a separate card, and an allotment of bonds will be made to every person upon the card. The committee which has made the allotment has tried to be fair and it is expected that every person will subscribe for the amount allotted to him. If for any reason a person is unable to take the full allotment made to him he is expected to write a letter written on his card the reason why and sign the same. These cards will be preserved as a permanent record for future use.

The members of the committee who will solicit subscriptions will have proper credentials to show their authority, and you will please give your subscription to no other person nor to any bank.

The Boy Scouts will assist in the campaign by taking pledges and turning them over to the committee having charge of the work. Let us make the party making the pledge lively.

The allotment to Wauseon is not less than \$100,000. Now, all together let us put this over in three days of next week. Let us all go over and let us together. We appeal to the enthusiasm and patriotism and loyalty of our citizens. Watch Wauseon and Fulton county. Let us make a record of which we may be proud.

L. H. DEYO
Chairman for Wauseon.

OLD LANDMARK GONE

The building on South Fulton street that was the scene of one of the hardest fights the Volunteer Fire Department of Wauseon ever put up with, has disappeared. Since the date of the fire, January 12, the charred timbers have stood as a monument of the battle which raged on that day, and many have looked at the building and marveled that our fire men were able to confine the fire to the one building.

During the past week the remnants of the burned building have been torn down and taken away, and only the vacant space is left. We are not posted in regard to the ancient history of this building, except that a long time ago the building was owned by Mr. Ferris and occupied by Ferris & Emery as a shoe shop. Of course this will remind some people of who built the building and who lived in it and who happened to them previous to the time that it was occupied by Ferris & Emery.

Our data runs back only to the "Middle Ages" when, in 1829, N. B. Waldron, now the manager of the Ritzenthaler Shoe Store, came to this building and had both his domicile and a variety store for 14 years. "Brad" occupied the building and about 1906 H. Huber Brothers took possession and transformed it into a barber shop, with Andy Huber making his home upstairs. During the time of the Huber occupancy many weighty questions have been discussed, argued and solved in various ways while the shearing of manes and beards, shaving and shampooing have gone along, quite as though the weightier matters of the law, gospel and government were not at issue.

Mr. W. H. Eager was the owner of the building; now he has but the place where it stood and whatever the insurance companies allowed him for the loss of the building. We miss the old building as we would miss an old friend, but we can't help dreaming once in a while that we see in its place a nice brick building, worthy of its setting on our main business thoroughfare.

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Our Greatest Spring Coat and Suit Offering
In which we forcibly demonstrate our ability to meet the demands of the Women of this Community with Superior Quality, in spite of high cost of all wool materials.


A Host of Many More New Coats---Exclusive Styles

Coats

These New Spring Arrivals

Priced \$10.00 to \$30.00

Each model is correct in design and tailoring. Right now there is such a big variety of styles in this season's most favored fabrics that you are sure to find a beautiful Coat to meet your requirements and at a price much less than you expected to pay. Remember there is hardly no two coats alike.



Suits

These New Spring Arrivals

Priced \$17.50 to \$35.00

For exquisite tailoring and design these suits are in a class by themselves. Simplicity of lines and neat appearance denotes the character of the quality of each, and thus distinguishes them as preeminently the desirable charming apparel and in this case too you buy a style that is exclusively yours.

Millitant Millinery For Spring

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Hats

are here in all conquering might—Not for the taking of trenches, but to captivate the fancy. Hats of the most becoming type for general wear, beautifully trimmed in the most approved styles.

\$3.75, \$5.00 to \$7.00



Redecorate The Home

Room Size Rugs **\$14.00 to \$37.50**


Marquisette Curtains **98c to \$7.00 the pair**

Curtain Shades **50, 75c and up**

Fancy Cretones **50c**

Marquisette Materials **25c to 65c a yard**

Linoleums



For This Springtime Event Our Showings are Quite Complete
displaying the newest features at very reasonable prices. For your needs in the above named accessories we are sure to interest you.

Where Quality and Confidence Meet

The Spencer-Edgar-Vollmer Company